

### US 41 highway safety

#### **Safety. Our top priority.**

Increased traffic volume and outdated 1950s construction on US 41 are contributing to above average crash rates in Winnebago and Brown counties. From 2003-2007 there were 3,889 crashes with 22 fatalities in this area of northeast Wisconsin. The US 41 Project will make the road safer by better accommodating larger volumes of traffic and taking advantage of a great new safety feature — the roundabout.

#### **Roundabout safety statistics**

At locations where roundabouts have replaced stop signs and/or traffic signals:

- Crashes decreased 39 percent
- Injuries decreased 76 percent
- Fatalities and/or incapacitating injuries decreased 90 percent

### **Construction zone safety**

#### **Safe for workers. Safe for you.**

To make things safer for everyone, WisDOT will be taking some extra precautions in US 41 construction areas including:

- Providing extra signage to guide motorists
- Reducing speed limits through work zones
- Coordinating with local police and fire departments
- Providing additional law enforcement from the State Patrol
- Providing traffic mitigation plans as construction progresses

Additional law enforcement will assist with nighttime lane closures, traffic incidents and speed enforcement. A Freeway Service Team will help reduce congestion on highway 41 during peak hours and holiday events. The team will help fix stalled vehicles, or tow them to designated drop-off points when necessary. We'll be doing everything possible to minimize the impact of construction on your travels. But please remember, it's important to keep a cool head and give your full attention to the road when traveling through construction zones. Your safety, and that of everyone around you, depends on you.